

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in this patent application.

1 (currently amended): A colon hydrotherapy device, comprising:

(a) a substantially cylindrical housing, wherein said housing is adapted to receive fluid inflow, and wherein said housing further comprises: a first internal chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending substantially partially through the length of said housing, for fluid inflow; and a second internal chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending substantially through the entire length of said housing, wherein said second chamber is separate and distinct from said first chamber, for fluid outflow and wherein said first chamber is adapted to receive fluid inflow and said second chamber is adapted to receive fluid outflow; and

(b) a nozzle attached to one end of said housing, wherein said nozzle is in fluid communication with said first chamber, and wherein said nozzle further comprises a plurality of water outlets, and wherein said plurality of outlets is adapted to create a high-pressure fluid vortex for creating a fluid vortex when a pressurized stream of fluid is passed through said device first chamber and into said nozzle.

2 (currently amended): The device of claim 1, further comprising ~~an~~ a removable insertion rod ~~residing in said housing~~ for facilitating the insertion of said device into a subject.

3 (currently amended): A colon hydrotherapy device, comprising:

(a) a housing, wherein said housing is substantially cylindrical in shape and further comprises: (i) an anterior portion; (ii) a tapered posterior portion connected to said anterior portion; (iii) a stem formed on the exterior of said housing; (iv) ~~a first internal chamber extending through said stem and substantially through the length of said housing; and a first chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending through said stem and partially through the length of said housing, wherein said first chamber is adapted to receive fluid inflow; and (v) a second internal chamber extending from said posterior portion of said~~

~~housing to said anterior portion of said housing, and wherein said second chamber is separate and distinct from said first chamber; and~~ a second chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending substantially though the entire length of said housing, wherein said second chamber is separate and distinct from said first chamber, and wherein said second chamber is adapted to receive fluid outflow; and

~~(b) a nozzle attached to said housing, wherein said nozzle further comprises a primary water inlet in communication with a plurality of water outlets for creating a water vortex when a pressurized stream of water is passed through said device~~ a nozzle attached to said anterior portion of said housing, wherein said nozzle is in fluid communication with said first chamber, and wherein said nozzle further comprises an inlet in fluid communication with a plurality of outlets, and wherein said plurality of outlets is adapted to create a high-pressure fluid vortex when a pressurized stream of fluid is passed through said first chamber and into said nozzle.

4 (currently amended): The device of claim 3, further comprising an insertion rod for facilitating insertion of said device into said colon, said insertion rod further comprising:

- (a) a rounded tip at one end of said insertion rod;
- (b) a groove in said rounded tip corresponding to the position of said ~~primary water~~ inlet in said nozzle; and
- (c) a planar grasping member at the end of said insertion rod opposite said tip, said grasping member further comprising at least one stabilizing notch ~~for stabilizing said insertion rod within said device~~ formed therein.

5 (cancelled)

6 (currently amended): The ~~system~~ device of claim 3, further comprising a water input line attached to said stem.

7 (currently amended): The ~~system~~ device of claim 3, further comprising a drainage line attached to said anterior portion of said housing.

8 (currently amended): A colon hydrotherapy ~~device~~ system, comprising:

- (a) a colon hydrotherapy device, wherein said device further comprises:

(i) a housing, wherein said housing is substantially cylindrical in shape and further comprises: (i) an anterior portion; (ii) a tapered posterior portion connected to said anterior portion; (iii) a stem formed on the exterior of said housing; ~~(iv) a first internal chamber extending through said stem and substantially through the length of said housing; and a first chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending through said stem and partially through the length of said housing, wherein said first chamber is adapted to receive fluid inflow and~~ (v) ~~a second internal chamber extending from said posterior portion of said housing to said anterior portion of said housing, and wherein said second chamber is separate and distinct from said first chamber; and a second chamber formed within said housing and integrally therewith and extending substantially through the entire length of said housing, wherein said second chamber is separate and distinct from said first chamber, and wherein said second chamber is adapted to receive fluid outflow; and~~

~~(ii) (b) a nozzle attached to said housing, wherein said nozzle further comprises a primary water inlet in communication with a plurality of water outlets for creating a water vortex when a pressurized stream of water is passed through said device a nozzle attached to said anterior portion of said housing, wherein said nozzle is in fluid communication with said first chamber, and wherein said nozzle further comprises an inlet in fluid communication with a plurality of outlets, and wherein said plurality of outlets is adapted to create a high-pressure fluid vortex when a pressurized stream of fluid is passed through said first chamber and into said primary inlet;~~

~~(iii) (e) an insertion rod for facilitating insertion of said device into said colon, said insertion rod further comprising: (i) a rounded tip at one end of said insertion rod; (ii) a groove in said rounded tip corresponding to the position of said ~~primary water~~ inlet in said nozzle; and (iii) a planar grasping member at the end of said insertion rod opposite said tip, said grasping member further comprising at least one stabilizing notch ~~for stabilizing said insertion rod within said device formed therein; and~~~~

~~(b) a source of pressurized water in fluid communication with said stem and said first chamber.~~

9 (cancelled)

10 (currently amended): The ~~device~~ system of claim 8, wherein the colon hydrotherapy device further ~~comprising~~ comprises a water input line ~~attached to said stem~~ for connecting said source of pressurized water to said stem.

11 (currently amended): The ~~device~~ system of claim 8, wherein the colon hydrotherapy device further ~~comprising~~ comprises a drainage line attached to said tapered posterior portion of said housing.

12 (withdrawn): A method for performing colon hydrotherapy on a subject, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) attaching a colon hydrotherapy device to a source of pressurized water, wherein said colon hydrotherapy device further comprises:

(i) a housing, wherein said housing is adapted to receive water inflow, and wherein said housing further comprises a first internal chamber extending substantially through the length of said housing for water inflow and a second internal chamber distinct from said first chamber for water outflow; and

(ii) a nozzle attached to said housing, wherein said nozzle further comprises a plurality of water outlets for creating a water vortex when said pressurized water is passed through said device; and

(iii) an insertion rod for facilitating insertion of said device into said colon;

and

(b) inserting said device into the colon of said subject by way of the rectum, wherein said insertion is performed by said subject;

(c) removing said insertion rod from said device;

(d) attaching an outflow line to said housing; and

(e) running said pressurized water through said device.

13 (withdrawn): The method of claim 12, wherein said water enters said subject at a volume of about 15 to about 100 gallons in a time period of about 45 minutes.